

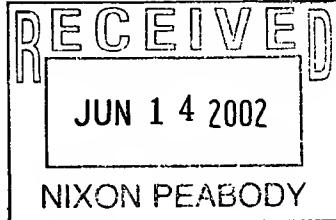


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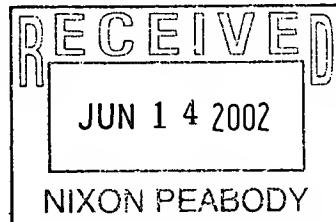


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- o The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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